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SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF CYPRUS TALKS

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1. NETHERLANDS CHARGE TYDEMAN CALLED ON EUR ASSISTANT
SECRETARY HARTMAN TO REPORT THAT EC-9 HAD DECIDED TO APPROACH
UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM TO URGE HE CONVENE A NEW ROUND
OF CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS IN NEW YORK SOME TIME BEFORE
OPENING OF UNGA. TYDEMAN SAID APPROACH TO WALDHEIM WOULD
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BE MADE IN NEW YORK BY DUTCH PERMREP AUGUST 26 OR 27 AND

WOULD STRESS NECESSITY FOR NEW INTERCOMMUNAL ROUND TO TAKE UP SUBSTANTIVE AS WELL AS PROCEDURAL ISSUES. DEMARCHE WOULD ALSO EMPHASIZE THAT LEDRA PALACE TALKS, THOUGH DESIRABLE AS INTERIM MEASURE, WERE NO SUBSTITUTE FOR NEW ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS AT WALDHEIM LEVEL.

2. TYDEMAN STATED THAT SUBSEQUENT TO DEMARCHE TO WALDHEIM, EC-9 WAS CONSIDERING FURTHER APPROACHES TO GREEKS, TURKS AND TWO CYPRIOT COMMUNITIES REGARDING THE CONTINUATION AND BROADENING OF ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED AT LEDRA PALACE.

3. HARTMAN SAID US WELCOMED EC-9 DEMARCHE AND WOULD BE PREPARED TO ASSIST WITH FOLLOW-UP DEMARCHES AS MIGHT BE

NECESSARY. HARTMAN ASKED THAT TYDEMAN ADVISE US OF RESULTS OF NEW YORK DISCUSSION SO THAT WE COULD DECIDE WHETHER US APPROACH TO WALDHEIM MIGHT BE FRUITFUL. HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT EC-9 MIGHT WISH TO DEFER APPROACHES TO TURKS, GREEKS AND TWO CYPRIOT COMMUNITIES UNTIL DETERMINING WHAT ATTITUDE WALDHEIM PLANNED TO TAKE WITH RESPECT TO CONVENING NEW INTERCOMMUNAL ROUND.

4. HARTMAN NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION THAT ALL CURRENT SIGNS SEEMED TO BE NEGATIVE AND THAT UN BUREAUCRACY, FOLLOWING NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, SEEMED MORE GLOOMY THAN EVER ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR EARLY PROGRESS ON CYPRUS. HARTMAN ALSO BRIEFED TYDEMAN ON RECENT SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AEGEAN PROBLEMS AND SUGGESTED THAT DECISION BY GREEK AND TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTERS TO HOLD A SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS MIGHT HAVE CARRY-OVER EFFECT WITH RESPECT TO CYPRUS NEGOTIATING CLIMATE.

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